

where natural defenses offer the best opportunity of holding the ground.

#### Await Allies' Aid.

The Serbians are awaiting the arrival of the allied forces landed at Salonika and are counting on avoiding a pitched battle until the reinforcements come up.

The Austro-Hungarians on the west have advanced across the Mlava region to the town of Obrenovac, and on the east the Serbs have been dislodged from several positions on the southern bank of the Danube by strong forces of German.

In the fighting along the lower reaches of the Drina river the Austro-Germans lost heavily in unsuccessful attacks, Nish reports.

The German legation today formally denied to the Athens government that Bulgaria was induced to enter the war by promises of Greek territory, while representative of the entente have furnished to the Greek government information concerning the agreement between Bulgaria and Germany, which, it is asserted, gives the Bulgars a free hand to deal not only with Serbia, but with Greece as well, should the central powers win.

#### In Morava Valley.

Field Marshal von Mackensen is pushing forward along the Orient line both from Belgrade and Semendria with only light detachments to dispute his way. Belgrade has been occupied to the low hills back of the city.

There is no expectation here that a battle in force will be fought before another fortnight. The terrain over which the Germans are moving is the heart of the Serbian wheat country, slightly rolling, moderately watered and with a gradually increasing elevation that culminates from fifty to seventy miles from the Danube in the mountains where the principal defense will be attempted. The Morava valley up to this point offers few natural obstacles and it is not regarded as within the possibilities that the Serb command would risk an engagement in circumstances where their inferiority in numbers cannot be supported by an advantageous terrain.

By the end of a fortnight, which will give to the Serbians time to hinder the German progress, the allied forces landed at Salonika should be organized for battle and in alignment with the main Serbian army north of Nish, covering the Belgrade-Sofia railroad and with wings extended by the mountain ranges on either side.

Reports from Nish yesterday said Austrian detachments had been routed on the Drina, but since the autumn dispatches said the principal Austrian blow was falling between Belgrade and Rani, on the Danube little importance attaches to the frontier skirmishes on the west.

#### Vienna Announces

##### Italian Defeat Upon

##### Vielgeruth Plateau

VIENNA (via Berlin to Sayville), Oct. 11.—Italian attacks on the Austrians on the Vielgeruth plateau in the past few days failed, the war office announced today. Italian losses were placed at 2,000.

The Austro-Germans have dislodged the last Austrian Serbian from the plateau, and are advancing on the Serbian in the Marvaca district and north of Obrenovac, the statement concludes.

#### Four Crews Saved From

##### Torpedoed Steamers

LONDON, Oct. 11.—The British steamship Thorwood, 3,184 tons, has been sunk by a German submarine, but the crew was saved, the admiralty announced today.

The crews of the steamships Newcastle and Dimitrios, respectively British and Greek, torpedoed on Saturday, were saved, it was officially announced today.

A dispatch from Copenhagen says that eleven of the crew of the steamship Lulea, torpedoed by a British submarine off Gledaer, landed there today. The remaining eleven were picked up by an unidentified vessel.

#### Bulgarian Cabinet

##### Changes Announced

AMSTERDAM, Oct. 11.—General Jekoff, who has taken command of the Bulgarian army, was succeeded as war minister today by General Najdenoff, said a Sofia message. M. Badolov has become foreign minister.

#### Dardanelles Shelling

##### Resumed by Allies

LONDON, Oct. 11.—Heavy firing at the Dardanelles by both land and naval guns is reported from Mytilene to be still in progress. An extremely heavy bombardment leads to the assumption that the allies have renewed their offensive.

Dispatches from Athens say that the Turkish forces at the Dardanelles are in straits than ever, and that the food supply has been so diminished that many of the troops are on the verge of starvation. It is probable that these reports are somewhat exaggerated, but there seems to be good grounds for the statement that many desertions are occurring within the Turkish ranks.

#### Petrograd Admits Loss

##### Of Dvinsk Positions

PARIS, Oct. 11.—Germans under von Hindenburg continue to wrest scattering positions from the Russians in the Dvinsk region, Petrograd advises admitted.

#### Bombardment Continues

##### On Champagne Front

LONDON, Oct. 11.—A heavy bombardment progressed today on the Franco-German front, in Champagne. Both sides claim gains. It is believed here that there have been no important changes.

#### THE WEATHER REPORT.

The forecast for the District of Columbia: Fair and warmer tonight and Tuesday; moderate east to south winds.

Maryland: Fair tonight and warmer in western part; Tuesday fair and warmer; moderate east to south winds.

Virginia: Fair tonight and warmer in interior; Tuesday fair and warmer; moderate northeast to east winds.

TEMPERATURES.  
U. S. BUREAU OF WEATHER.  
At Washington, D. C., Oct. 11, 1915.  
8 a. m. 64. 9 a. m. 64. 10 a. m. 64.  
11 a. m. 64. 12 noon 64. 1 p. m. 64.  
2 p. m. 64. 3 p. m. 64. 4 p. m. 64.  
5 p. m. 64. 6 p. m. 64. 7 p. m. 64.  
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11 p. m. 64. 12 noon 64. 1 p. m. 64.

TIDE TABLE.  
High tide at 9:52 a. m. and 3:50 p. m.  
Low tide at 3:48 a. m. and 3:50 p. m.

SUN TABLE.  
Sun rose at 6:05. Sun sets at 5:28.  
Light automobile lamps at 6:06 p. m.

#### BULGARIA PUZZLED

##### AGAIN, MASON SAYS

##### Landing of Allies' Forces in

##### Greece Causes Balkan Nation to Hesitate.

By J. W. T. MASON.

NEW YORK, Oct. 11.—Bulgaria's reluctance to begin her expected offensive against Serbia probably is explained by the protest of the French government, which, it is asserted, gives the Bulgars a free hand to deal not only with Serbia, but with Greece as well, should the central powers win.

By this time the Bulgarian army should be prepared at least to send a supporting force into Serbia to assist the Austro-Germans and create a diversion along the Bulgarian frontier. No hostile move, however, is yet reported from Nish.

There is possibility that this means Bulgaria may consider a diversion to the latter part of the war, and may refuse to enter the war. The Bulgars, like all the Balkan peoples, are of the outlook for the winning side, and their opinions fluctuate constantly. The sudden landing of an Anglo-French force in Greece has brought an unexpected element into the Balkan situation, which is unquestionably causing considerable uneasiness at Sofia.

Under this new condition the Bulgars would run very serious risks by entering the war. With France and Great Britain pouring reinforcements into Serbia, there is certainly an even chance that the Serbs will be able to bring the new campaign against them to a speedy conclusion.

Bulgaria cannot throw her whole strength against Serbia, because parts of her army must be concentrated along the Roumanian and Greek frontiers to guard against possible attacks by those powers.

If the Bulgars force, organized to invade Serbia, wastes its strength vainly against Serbian lines, held by Anglo-French troops, Greece and Roumania may well take advantage of Bulgaria's weakness and attack her.

Under these circumstances Bulgaria now has as much to lose as she has to gain by beginning hostilities. Great Britain, in particular, can pour a large force into the Balkan area, as long as the road through Greece remains open. The new Greek ministry shows no evidence of consenting to Bulgaria's demand that the road be closed.

Bulgaria, therefore, seems to be developing a typical Balkan caution, and more. If the Austro-Germans make easy progress through Serbia, Bulgaria will probably begin hostilities, but, otherwise, great pressure doubtless will have to be exerted at the last moment by German influences to send the Bulgars into the fray.

#### English Push Steadily

##### Forward Against Foe

##### Northeast of Loos

LONDON, Oct. 11.—Pushing steadily forward against the Germans northeast of Loos, the British have won a strip varying from 500 to 1,000 yards, said General French, who reported last night.

General French said French, "since Monday constantly whetted our new trenches south of La Bassee canal."

"Princess Mary's Royal Air Force," he said, "heavily bombarded the whole area we had conquered; then attacked in successive waves of infantry, their work being aided by the tanks of the Hohenzollern redoubt, which were everywhere."

"We counter-attacked and gained the German trench west of Cite St. Eloi."

"Great numbers of the enemy's dead were left in front of our lines. Our losses were comparatively light."

#### READY TO RECOGNIZE

##### CARRANZA AS CHIEF

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While some bigwigs still haunt the halls of the federal district government of the federal district is sending them to proper institutions for their own good, while the children of the indigent are being given opportunities for education and training in industrial pursuits. Invalids and the superannuated are being cared for in asylums and hospitals, there being abundant accommodations in both classes of institutions.

"The Red Cross charge that within a year a million people will face starvation in Mexico is authoritatively declared by persons who thoroughly know and understand the situation to be absurd. There is no serious destitution anywhere, and the situation is heretofore conducted and new service being inaugurated the opening up of districts where crops have hitherto been unavailable owing to lack of transportation must serve to correct the deficiencies. The crops now being harvested, although less than normal, are unusually large when the reduced acreage is considered. It is confidently predicted that the coming season of planting will witness the largest acreage in the history of Mexico."

#### Tells of Execution.

The following official cablegram to the agency from Carranza at Vera Cruz conveys the formal announcement of the execution of the late President of Mexico, Francisco I. Madero.

Alfredo Garcia Granados, former minister of Government in the provisional cabinet of Gen. Victoriano Huerta, was executed by firing squad at Vera Cruz, Oct. 10, 1915. He was convicted of treason and sentenced to death by reason of his complicity in the coup d'etat of February, 1913, and the assassinations of the late president and vice president of the republic. He was executed day before yesterday at 11 a. m.

#### Villa Is in Mountains

##### In Ugly Mood, Refusing

##### To Protect Foreigners

EL PASO, Oct. 11.—General Villa, in the mountains Casas Grande, today prepared to make a last stand against the Carranza government. Reports of a revolt in Villa's ranks were not confirmed.

The Carranza government granted Carranza, Villa is said to be in an ugly mood toward all foreigners. He told Carranza a special agent of the State Department, that foreigners could look to Carranza for protection and that the Villa troops would not take foreign life or property. Villa would not protect them from bandits.

#### Internal Discord in

##### Russia, Berlin Says

BERLIN (via London), Oct. 11.—Princess Cheruboff's suppression by M. Khvostoff as the czar's minister of the interior was attributed here today to Russian internal troubles with which Charlotta could not cope.

#### Two Men Promoted With

##### Others in P. O. Department

Four promotions were announced at the postoffice department today as a result of the recent appointment of William I. Denning as chief clerk of the department.

Alfred B. Foster, of California, has been promoted from chief clerk to the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General to superintendent of the division of equipment at a salary of \$2,750.

John K. Pickett, of Georgia, formerly chief clerk in the division of equipment, has been promoted to the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General at a salary of \$2,500, being in turn succeeded by Michael K. Campbell, of Illinois.

Leighton V. B. Marshchik, of Kentucky, assumes the duties of superintendent of the division of supplies, at a salary of \$2,750.

Each of the four men promoted to high office have excellent records in the department, and were named in a statement issued in connection with the announcement of the appointments.

#### FANS PACK GROUNDS

##### FOR THIRD CONTEST

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and Governor Walsh will officiate during ceremonies at the park this afternoon. The Royal Boxers will be on the job with their band and three others have been engaged to shop things up. Mayor Curley headed rowdies and a band greeting the Red Sox on their arrival yesterday from Philadelphia, and with the Red Sox back on home soil the enthusiasm boiled and bubbled throughout last night and then steamed over today.

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